

APPENDIX E.

MOAB FIELD OFFICE RECREATION RULES

E.1 CAMPING

E.1.1 CAMPING IN RESTRICTED AREAS

Camping is restricted to improved recreation sites (i.e., campgrounds or camping areas) with facilities managed for overnight use. Fires are restricted to metal fire grills provided at the campgrounds. When camping in areas with developed facilities, camping is restricted to designated sites. Collection of firewood is prohibited (Colorado Riverway, Sand Flats, Ken's Lake/Flat Pass *Highway 313 corridor, including road to Canyonlands National Park*). Where indicated, camping in areas without developed facilities is restricted to designated, undeveloped campsites. Campers are required to carry out solid human body waste (unless toilets are provided), and must possess and utilize a toilet system that allows for the disposal of such waste through authorized sewage systems. *Fires are restricted to the designated site*, and collection of firewood is prohibited. The controlled camping areas (some of which may have zero sites designated) are: *Bartlett/Courthouse/Dubinky area, Long Canyon road corridor, Gemini Bridges road corridor and within Little Canyon, Seven Mile Canyon, the BLM land west of Arches National Park, Blue Hill-Black Ridge area, Utah Rims, White Wash Sand Dunes, Ten Mile Canyon (Dripping Spring Area), Mill Creek Canyon Management Area, areas within Spanish Valley, Kane Creek Crossing, land surrounding developed recreation areas in the Canyon Rims Recreation Area, the corridor of the Green River "Daily"*). As campgrounds are constructed in the above or in other areas, camping would be restricted to improved recreation sites (i.e., campgrounds or camping areas) with facilities managed for overnight use.

E.1.2 DISPERSED CAMPING

In all other locations, dispersed camping is permitted on public land. Vehicles associated with such camping are restricted to the designated road system. Campers are required to clean up their campsites. When damage to an area from dispersed camping becomes obtrusive, that area would be added to the "controlled camping" category, where camping is restricted to designated, undeveloped campsites with rules as outlined above. Obtrusive can refer to any or all of the following problems: human sanitation, trash, hacked trees, trampled vegetation and fire danger from excessive campfires.

E.1.3 RIVER-TRIP CAMPING

Campers on all overnight river trips (Colorado, Green and Dolores Rivers) must carry out all solid human waste, campfire ash, and charcoal and dispose of them properly. Solid human body waste must be disposed of in authorized sewage systems. All overnight boating trips must possess a durable metal fire pan at least 12 inches wide with a 1.5-inch lip, and restrict all fires to this fire pan. Collection of firewood is prohibited, except for driftwood. Campers in Westwater Canyon are restricted to designated sites, which are assigned at the Ranger Station. In addition,

no camping is allowed for a distance of two miles below Cisco Landing. Campers on the Colorado River "Daily" must camp in the campgrounds provided if camping on the south side of the river.

E.2 CAMPSITE USE LIMITATIONS

Campsite occupancy is limited to posted numbers of vehicles and persons within campgrounds, camping areas, and controlled camping areas.

E.3 FEES

Fees may be charged for any and all campgrounds on BLM administered land, and within the following areas: Colorado Riverway, Sand Flats, Westwater Canyon of the Colorado River, the Green River, the Dolores River, and on the Kokopelli's Trail.

E.4 OCCUPANCY STAY LIMITATION

No person may occupy public lands for more than 14 days within a consecutive 28-day interval. Beyond the 14-day period, occupation of another site shall not be within a 30 mile air radius of the heretofore occupied location. When the 14 days have been reached, site occupation shall not reoccur until at least 14 days have expired from the last day of use.

Unattended personal property shall not be kept on public lands for a period of more than 48 hours, with the exception that vehicles may be parked in designated parking areas for up to 14 consecutive days.

E.5 FIRES

In addition to the campfire restrictions above, fires are also prohibited in the following areas: *Mill Creek Canyon Management Area and Negro Bill Canyon.*

E.6 FIREWOOD CUTTING AND GATHERING

Where indicated (Canyon Rims, Sand Flats, Green River "Daily" corridor, Colorado Riverway, Highway 313 corridor including Canyonlands National Park entrance road, Gemini Bridges Road corridor, Long Canyon road corridor, Black Ridge road corridor, Blue Hill road corridor, Ken's Lake, Mill Creek Canyon Management Area, Behind the Rocks, and Negro Bill) firewood cutting and gathering, Christmas tree cutting and firewood permits are prohibited, except for traditional and historic uses by Native Americans, BLM official uses, or military, fire, emergency or law enforcement actions.

If conditions warrant, areas of restricted firewood cutting and gathering may be enlarged.

E.7 FIREARMS DISCHARGE

The discharge of firearms for all purposes is prohibited at improved recreation sites. Discharge of firearms for non-hunting purposes is prohibited in the Colorado Riverway SRMA, along the Green River "Daily" section, in the Mill Creek Planning Area, and in the Sand Flats Recreation Management Area. As numbers of visitors increase to any area, discharge of firearms restrictions may be extended to these areas to protect human life and safety.

E.8 SPARK ARRESTORS

Spark arrestors are required on all public lands in the Moab Field Office as per CFR 8343.1(c).

E.9 POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL BY MINORS

Persons under 21 years of age are prohibited from possessing alcoholic beverages consistent with State law.

E.10 RIVER USE

E.10.1 BOATING PERMITS

Noncommercial float trip permits are required for the Colorado River in Westwater Canyon, on the Dolores River from the Utah line to the Colorado River confluence, and on the Green River within Labyrinth Canyon. These permits require the possession of first aid kits, air pumps, repair kits, portable toilet systems, and fire-pans. In addition, boaters may not gather firewood (except driftwood), must dispose of trash properly, must use biodegradable soap, may not bathe with any soap in tributary streams, and may not remove, damage or destroy any archaeological, historical or ecological resource.

E.10.2 MOTORIZED BOAT TRAVEL

No boats may be launched for upstream motorized travel at the Westwater Ranger Station from February 1 through October 15 for protection of bald eagle nests.

No boats may be launched for upstream or downstream motorized travel at Cisco Landing from February 1 through October 15 for protection of bald eagle nests.

E.11 ADDITIONAL SPECIAL RULES

No casting of dinosaur tracks without a permit issued through the BLM Utah State Office.

No glass containers at the Moab Canyon Sand Hill and at the Powerhouse Lane Trailhead and lower Mill Creek for a distance of 1 mile from the trailhead.

No burning of wood pallets on public lands within the Moab Field Office.

No camping with vehicles within 200 feet of isolated springs and potholes to allow space for wildlife access to water.

No commercial or private equestrian use in Negro Bill Canyon. Commercial equestrian use in Mill Creek Canyon would only be allowed on the Steelbender Road.